On the other hand important events of other games and sports telecast on Doordarshan channels included Davis Cup (Tennis), Federation Cup (Tennis), Champions Trophy (Hockey), Beighton Cup (Hockey), Indira Gandhi Gold Cup (Hockey), Uber Cup (Badminton), Thomas Cup (Badminton), Torino Winter Olympics Melbourne Commonwealth Games 2006, Marathons at Mumbai, Delhi and Pune, National Football League, Durand Cup (Football), Subroto Cup (Football), Car Rally Patna, Sub Jr. National Basketball Championship 2005, National Athletics Circuit Meet 2005 at Patiala, India-Pakistan Veteran Hockey, Rashtriya Manakar Teerandaji Spardha, National Beach Kabaddi Championship 2005, PSA Squash Chennai Open Championship 2005, Jr. National Boys and Girls Taekwando Championship, Indian Rowing Championship, Indian Gymnastic Championship, West Bengal Nursury Gymnastic Championship, FIVB World Volleyball Championship, National Ranking Circuit Archery, FIBA Asia Basketball Championship, Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship and many others.

(c) The cost of live coverage is quite heavy. In order to facilitiate live coverage of events, Doordarshan has introduced a cash out flow scheme under which it arranges live coverage on payment by the organizers as per prescribed charges, which are meant only to recover the cash out flow of Doordarshan in such coverages.

Indecent presentation of women in print and electronic media

3550. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase of provocative advertisements by indecent presentation of women in print and electronic media;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the action so far taken by Government in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to check the violation of the Act?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) and (b) Such cases have come to the notice of the Ministry. Commercialization of media is the main cause.

(c) and (d) All the advertisements/programmes of satellite TV channels transmitted or re-transmitted through cable service are required to adhere to the provisions of the Advertising Code and Programme Code prescribed under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 and rules framed thereunder. The Central Government has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee under Section 20 of the Act to look into the violation of the Programme Code and Advertising Code. The Committee either *suo-moto* or on receipt of complaint, examines cases of violations of the code. Show cause notices are issued in the first instance to TV chanels telecasting objectionable advertisements in violation of code and TV channels are directed not to telecast/re-telecast the advertisement, which are found to be violative of the Advertising Code. So far 57 Show Cause Notices have been issued in 2006 upto 15.05.2006. This is an ongoing process. Government has issued an order on 6th September, 2005 for constitution of Monitoring Committees at the State and district levels to monitor private satellite TV channels and local cable channels to detect and look into violations of the Programme and Advertising Code and complaints received from general public regarding violation of the Code. As per the Ministry of Women and Child Development which administers the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986, there is negative depiction of the image of women in print media. As per section 3 and 4 of the Act, publishing of obscene/ indecent portrayal of women is a punishable offence. Under the Act, an officer designated by the State Government is empowered to take action in instances of its violation. Further, the Press Council, a statuory autonomous body, set up under the Press Council Act, 1978 with the twin object of preserving the freedom of the press and of maintaining and improving the standards of newspapers and news agencies in India has also laid down "Norms of Journalistic Conduct" stipulating for obscenity and vulgarity to be eschewed.

Conditions of overseas Indians

3551. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the living and economic conditions of overseas Indians in general and the working class in particular;

(b) whether the overseas Indians are treated as second class citizens in the social status;